

WEST ST. MARY PARISH PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 4, 2016

6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Willie Peters, President of the Port Commission. Mr. Peters gave an Invocation. Mr. Ralph Longman led in the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call resulted in the following:

Present:

Willie Peters
Wayne Stevens
Will Terry
Ralph Longman
Greg Paul
Joseph Tabb
Tad Blevins

Absent:

Calvin Deshotel
Phil Bell

Also present at the meeting were Mrs. Marguerite Robinson of Teche Talk, Mr. Anthony Emmons of Marine Turbine Technologies, Mr. David Allain, Executive Director and Ms. Donna Louviere, Secretary/Receptionist of the Port of Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tabb to dispense with the reading of the September 6, 2016 meeting minutes and to accept the same. The motion was seconded by Mr. Terry and carried unanimously.

Mr. Peters asked that the record show that Mr. Blevins joined the meeting at this time.

Mr. Emmons of Marine Turbine Technologies reported on the various equipment and projects that MTT has and the part that they will play in our present economy providing cash flow for MTT. Mr. Emmons thanked the Port Commission and Mr. Allain for their support.

Mr. Allain thanked Mr. Emmons for attending the meeting. Mr. Allain explained to the Commission that MTT was given a lease reduction from April 1, 2016 thru September 30, 2016 and is requesting another six months of lease reduction. Mr. Duplantis, Port Attorney explained to the Commission that MTT is maintaining its current number of employees and are current on their rent. With this being said this is a policy decision and that the Commission would not be in any violation with continuing the rate reduction. The Port Commissioners biggest challenge is Economic Development. Mr. Duplantis also spoke about the considerable amount of money that MTT has invested into their facility and that this is a considerable Capital Investment for the Port. Discussion Followed. A motion was made by Mr. Paul to bring the rate reduction continuation for Marine Turbine Technologies up for discussion. The motion was seconded by Mr. Blevins and carried unanimously. Discussion followed

A motion was made by Mr. Paul to extend the rate reduction for Marine Turbine Technologies from October 1, 2016 thru April 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Longman and carried unanimously.

Mr. Allain reported on the Port's water plant that was struck by lightning several times within the past few months and damage to the Automatic Transfer Switch did occur. Broad Point Energy has gone out and evaluated the situation and determined that there are several things that need to be repaired at a cost of \$6182.00. Mr. Tabb made a motion to approve Broad Point Energy repairs to the water plant in the amount of \$6182.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Terry and carried unanimously.

Mr. Allain reported that the Pile Bollard at the Industrial Park has been completed and looks really good. Mr. Allain requested the approval of the invoice from Southern Constructors in the amount of \$19,200.00. Mr. Terry made a motion to pay Southern Constructors. The motion was seconded by Mr. Longman and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Tabb to issue letters of no objection to the Corps of Engineers on behalf of St. Mary Water Works No. 5 - permit No. 14008 and St. Mary Parish Government Permit No. 14052. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stevens and carried unanimously.

Mr. Peters asked for the Engineers report. Mr. Allain reported that Mr. Miller called and was unable to attend the meeting and that the sand will be delivered to the Industrial Park soon.

There being no further business to be reported, a motion was made by Mr. Terry to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tabb and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:17p.m.

Signed _____
Wilson Terry, Secretary/Treasurer